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SUBJECT: ANKARA MARTIAL LAW AUTHORITIES CLOSE DOWN RADICAL
LEFTIST STUDENT ASSOCIATION

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'1. ANKARA MARTIAL LAW AUTHORITIES HAVE ORDERED THE RADICAL LEFTIST
ANKARA DEMOCRATIC HIGHER EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (KNOWN BY ITS
TURKISH INITIALS AS "ADYOD") TO SUSPEND ACTIVITIES INDEFINITELY FOR
UNSPECIFIED VIOLATIONS OF ITS OWN CHARTER, ACCORDING TO THE
TURKISH PRESS.

2. ADYOD MEMBERS WERE IMPLICATED IN THE CLASHES BETWEEN
LEFTIST AND RIGHTIST GROUPS AT THE ANKARA UNIVERSITY FACULTY OF
LETTERS AND AGRICULTURAL FACULTY ON DECEMBER 4 (REFTEL).
HOWEVER, THE STUDENTS PLACED IN DETENTION AT THAT TIME WERE
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LATER RELEASED BY THE ANKARA MARTIAL LAW COURT NO. 2. THE

LEFTIST STUDENTS REPORTEDLY STAGED A HUNGER STRIKE WHILE UNDER DETENTION BECAUSE POLICE DID NOT CONDUCT A MASS ROUNDUP OF RIGHTIST STUDENTS WHO WERE ALSO ALLEGEDLY INVOLVED IN SAME INCIDENT.

3. IN THE DECEMBER 10 SESSION OF PARLIAMENT, SENATOR HUSEYIN OZTURK (REPUBLICAN PEOPLE'S PARTY) CHARGED THAT RIGHTIST COMMANDOS HAD PROVOKED THE RECENT STUDENT INCIDENTS AND REQUESTED THE IRMAK GOVERNMENT TO INVESTIGATE THE ACTIVITIES OF THIS "FASCIST MINORITY." HE ALSO CAUTIONED LEFTISTS AGAINST ENCOURAGING THEIR OWN YOUTH TO CARRY ARMS.

4. COMMENT: PRESENT AGITATION BY ACTIVIST GROUPS WAS ONE REASONS CITED BY MINDEF ILHAMI SANCAR FOR EXTENDING MARTIAL LAW IN FOUR PROVINCES DURING RECENT DEBATE IN PARLIAMENT. CLOSING OF ADYOD SUGGESTS MARTIAL LAW AUTHORITIES ARE BEGINNING TO UTILIZE THEIR EXTENSIVE POWERS TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC SECURITY IN AN EFFORT TO CONTAIN STUDENT VIOLENCE BEFORE IT ESCALATES TO MORE SERIOUS LEVEL. ALTHOUGH LEFTIST STUDENTS WERE NOT KEPT UNDER DETENTION, THEIR RELEASE MAY HAVE AVOIDED GIVING OCCASION FOR FURTHER DEMONSTRATIONS DEMANDING THEIR RELEASE.
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